

Federal Communications Commission c/o Marlene Dortch, Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20554

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WT 11-65: In the matter of applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for consent to assign or transfer control of licenses and authorizations

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

A greater number of the homes and businesses in America have broadband today than at any other time. This growth of high-speed wireless Internet has resulted in substantial economic development. However, many areas in Wyoming still look forward to the day that this transformative technology will be in their homes, businesses and schools. As the process moves forward with the FCC's analysis of the T-Mobile and AT&T merger, the Wyoming Economic Development Association (WEDA) is supportive, in general, of corporate actions that would advance broadband in Wyoming. The association appreciates what expanded broadband capabilities can do to create jobs, attract new businesses and develop a skilled workforce.

Established in 1985, WEDA is a non-profit professional association representing nearly 200 economic development members and organizations, in addition to over 5,000 affiliate members, who support economic development through their local economic development groups.

Our members know that mobile technology and faster Internet speeds are essential to productivity and efficiency in the current business community. Investment and job creation will help build prosperity for the entire state so long as the right tools are in place. Just a few of the many advantages of high-speed Internet include distance learning and telework. With highest standard wireless network, education and the workplace no longer have to conform to traditional models.

WEDA thanks the FCC for their ongoing efforts to keep communication technology affordable and available for all Americans.

Sincerely,

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